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Amendments to the Claims

Please amend claims 2-7, 10, 11 and 18 as indicated in the listing of claims.

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Please cancel claim 17 without prejudice and disclaimer.

Claim 8 was previously canceled without prejudice.

Claims 1, 3-7 and 9 are allowed.

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

- 1. (Previously presented) A solder composition for assembling, repairing or sizing jewelry comprising of about 25% to 92% by weight gold and about 2% to 14% by weight of an alloy consisting of gallium, indium, and copper in a respective weight ratio of approximately 6:3:1, wherein the solder composition has a melting temperature in a range from about 1000°F to about 1550°F.
- 2. (Currently amended) A The solder composition according to of claim 1, wherein the about 25% to 92% by weight gold further comprising comprises a mixture of about 8% to 8075% silver, about 1% to 66% copper, about 5% to 31% zinc and about 0% to 35% nickel.
- 3. (Currently amended) A <u>The</u> solder composition according to <u>of</u> claim 1, wherein the composition is about 25% by weight gold.
- 4. (Currently amended) A The solder composition according to of claim 1, wherein the composition is about 41.6% by weight gold.
- 5. (Currently amended) A <u>The</u> solder composition according to <u>of</u> claim 1, wherein the composition is about 58.3% by weight gold.

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6. (Currently amended) A <u>The</u> solder composition according to <u>of</u> claim 1, wherein the composition is about 75% by weight gold.

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- 7. (Currently amended) A <u>The</u> solder composition according to <u>of</u> claim 1, wherein the composition is about 91.6% by weight gold.
 - 8. (Canceled).
- 9. (Previously presented) A solder composition according to claim 1, wherein the solder composition has a melting temperature in the range from about 1100°F to 1550°F.
- 10. (Currently amended) An alloy for lowering the melting point of a gold solder comprising about 2% to 14% by weight gallium, indium and copper in a respective weight ratio of approximately 6:3:1, wherein the alloy is about 2% to 14% by weight of the solder, wherein the solder has a reduced melting temperature as compared to a solder not having the alloy, and wherein the alloy and the solder are free of palladium.
- 11. (Currently amended) The gold solder according to claim 18, wherein the gold solder further comprising comprises a mixture of about 8% to 80% silver, about 1% to 66% copper, about 5% to 31% zinc and about 0% to 35% nickel.
- 12. (Previously presented) The gold solder according to claim 18, wherein the solder is about 25% by weight gold.
- 13. (Previously presented) The gold solder according to claim 18, wherein the solder is about 41.6% by weight gold.

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14. (Previously presented) The gold solder according to claim 18, wherein the solder is about 58.3% by weight gold.

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- 15. (Previously presented) The gold solder according to claim 18, wherein the solder is about 75% by weight gold.
- 16. (Previously presented) The gold solder according to claim 18, wherein the solder is about 91.6% by weight gold.
 - 17. (Canceled).
- 18. (Currently amended) A gold solder composition comprising of about 25% to 92% by weight gold and about 2% to 14% by weight of an alloy for lowering the melting point of the solder comprising, wherein the alloy comprises about 2% to 14% by weight gallium, indium and copper in a respective weight ratio of approximately 6:3:1, and wherein the solder has a melting temperature in the range of about 1000°F to 1550°F.
- 19. (Previously presented) The gold solder according to claim 18, wherein the solder has a melting temperature in the range from about 1100°F to 1550°F.